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May 16 - Sunday - 2:00 P.M.
COLLECTING PRESIDENTIAL CHINA
 A presentation by Set Momjian
 after our General Meeting
 at Greenfield Hall

June 5 -- Saturday
 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
ALADDIN'S TREASURES
 Annual Village Fair and Auction
 Greenfield Hall

TALES FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

Do you know anyone who is able to dine daily from plates which had been used in the Lincoln White House or savor wine from a ruby red Franklin Pierce glass? Who has been an Ambassador to the United Nations and has served as an advisor for White House projects during such diverse administrations as those of Presidents Carter, Reagan, Bush, and now Clinton?

After you meet Set Momjian, speaker for our May 16 meeting, you'll be able to answer those questions affirmatively.



Set Momjian began collecting china in the 1950's when few people were aware of our national decorative arts heritage. Since then, with the competence of the connoisseur and the diligence of the detective, he has been able to collect china from every presidential administration which had ordered it.

Set views the presidential plates as symbols of history, something to be cherished for what they represent about their owners. A master raconteur, his stories about the White House and its occupants, as well as tales of his personal experiences with presidential families, will intrigue and delight us.

Samples from his collection of more than 2000 pieces of historical and White House china will be displayed. Mark your calendar for an entertaining and rewarding afternoon - 2:00, Sunday afternoon, May 16.

June 5 will mark the Society's 36th annual Village Fair and Auction. From 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. our grounds will be transformed into scenes from the Arabian Nights. We'll be able to wander around a veritable bazaar of untold treasures: sparkling jewelry, a wealth of bargain books, great values from the Garage Sale, creative art and craft items, our own publications and commemoratives, priceless homemade food delicacies and farm-fresh strawberries, along with exotic entertainment!

Look for some original lunch treats this year. A Middle Eastern style sandwich and homemade ice cream sandwiches will be sold. The old favorites will be there too.

"Rub your magic lamp" or wave your hand to bid on the treasures being offered at the Auction. Don't miss the excitement which begins in that area at 11:30!

Our annual Fair is an important Haddonfield tradition. Invite your friends and family to attend with you and make a day of it. This can be a good time to introduce new residents to our Society. Remember that we're counting on the Fair and Auction to produce some much-needed profits which will go toward maintaining Greenfield Hall and the fund for roof repairs.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Society has maintained a busy schedule over the past several months with a program on framing in January, the exhibition of the Edward Curtis photographs in collaboration with the Markheim Art Center throughout February, the presentation of two American flags to the Society by the Independence Hall Chapter of the DAR on February 27, the well-attended annual Candlelight Dinner in March, the Docent Training Program for three weeks in March and April, the April 4 Appraisal Day, and a late April Dinner in the Grand Style for our raffle winner and nine guests.

We look forward to an equally busy schedule for the upcoming months, with the library move to the Samuel Mickle House, opening Greenfield Hall for the Haddon Fortnightly House and Garden Tour on May 7, the regular members meeting on May 16 along with participating in the Haddonfield Block Party that same day, and the Village Fair and Auction on June 5. A very special new event is planned for May 22 and 23 in collaboration with the Haddonfield School of Creative and Performing Arts. Your enthusiastic support of these special musical events will greatly benefit the Society's need for funds for a new roof for Greenfield Hall.

Of utmost importance for the future of the Society has been the formation of a Long Range Financial Planning Committee which has been meeting biweekly since early March. The committee has carefully reviewed the current financial status of the Society and then established priorities to deal with the current budget deficit. The first need which the committee identified was a revision of the current membership dues structure. Elsewhere in the *Bulletin* is outlined the dues structure for 1993-94 as approved by your Board of Trustees at their March 23 meeting.

I cannot overemphasize the gravity of the Society's financial concerns nor stress too much the need for the continuing and increased support of its present members and the need to attract additional members. Perhaps a few facts will put this into perspective. The cost of printing and mailing the Society's outstanding *Bulletin* is almost \$8.00 per member per year! Insurance premiums are equal to the entire revenue from membership this year! Revenue from invested endowment funds have decreased from 7-8% four years ago to less than 3% this year!

Haddonfield takes pride in its fine historic atmosphere. The Society, in maintaining two important historic buildings with fine furnishings and enormously important library resources, is the most visible presence of the Borough's ambience. 1994 will mark the 80th anniversary of the Historical Society of Haddonfield. May we join together to support, preserve, and strengthen its proud heritage!

Sincerely,
Debby Troemner

FAIR UPDATE

Debbie Moore, Jim Westcott, and Nancy Burrough, chairmen of the Fair, Auction, and Garage Sale committees respectively, are rubbing their own personal magic lamps, wishing for:

1. A host of cheerful volunteers
2. A pantry filled with baked goods
3. A cave full of treasures for the auction and garage sale
4. Good weather for June 6
5. Crowds of happy Fair-goers

We know most of you can't do a thing about the weather, but please consider helping make all the other wishes come true. Debbie can be reached at 428-7420, Jim at 427-0786, and Nancy at 429-8361. Call the Society at 429-7375 if you need information about donating or consigning your treasures, or arranging for their pickup.

AUCTION 1993

Our Auction 1993 can be an important fund-raiser for the Society, but only with **your** help. Donations are now being accepted. Anything antique - furniture, paintings, china, glass, clocks, rugs - is in great demand. You can also donate old furniture, books, small appliances, bicycles, prints, and so on. Almost everything will be acceptable.

Consignments too are acceptable. These articles will be sold with a 20% commission for the Society's benefit.

Please bring your donations to Greenfield Hall on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday morning or to Jim Westcott's house, 38 Center Street. If Jim is not home, leave your contributions on his side porch.

If you need assistance to transport larger pieces, or if you'd like more information on consignments, call Carolyn Woolley at Greenfield Hall, 429-7375, or Jim Westcott at 427-0786.

Let's make this auction a real treasure for the Society!

GARAGE SALE NEEDS

Nancy Burrough and the Fair Garage Sale Committee are asking for some special assistance. In order to organize and display items which will be received and prepared for the big sale, metal shelving and metal cabinets are needed. The shelving will be attached to the garage walls and, along with the cabinets, will be utilized throughout the year.

If you would like to donate new or used items for this purpose, please call the Society at 429-7375 or Nancy Burrough, 429-8361. Of course, the Committee is also asking that you donate miscellaneous garage sale items, including jewelry. Bring the treasures you no longer want to Greenfield Hall or drop them off at the garage door behind the house. For pick-up service, call either of the above numbers.

DINNER IN THE GRAND STYLE

And the winning ticket was held by...Carol Fuoco! Mayor Tarditi drew that lucky ticket from the punch bowl at the Candlelight Dinner. Carol and her guests will be enjoying the extra-special treatment from our wonderful "staff" on Saturday evening, April 24. For the rest of us, there's always next year!!

OUR WISH LIST

We're all making a wish along with Bob Evans, Chairman of Acquisitions and Exhibitions.

Now that the Society is trying to represent more historically-accurate room settings, there are obvious gaps in our collection that need filling. In a perfect world, here are just a handful of items that would raise the impact of both Greenfield Hall and the Samuel Mickle House:

A **Rug** for the foyer, 4' by 6'

A **Rug** for the rear parlor, 10' by 14'

An 18th/early 19th century **tea caddy** for front parlor

Brass candlesticks and **period lighting**

Early **porcelain bowl** for dining table

Period **knife boxes** for sideboard

Staffordshire, Canton, Chinese Export porcelain or other appropriate 18th/early 19th century plates, dishes, cups, saucers, soup tureen, etc.

Early 18th century **country furniture** for the Mickle House, such as a tavern table, chairs, small stands, etc.

Early **pewter**, cooking utensils, crocks, andirons, and hearth equipment for the Mickle House

A **period maple or cherry chest** for the rear bedroom; Chippendale, Hepplewhite, Sheraton, or Empire design is appropriate since the building stages of Greenfield Hall span the 18th and 19th centuries.

To donate any of these items or other appropriate furnishings which will enhance our setting, please contact the Society, 429-7375.

THE BAXTER CHAIR

In the front parlor you can admire a Federal chair with a crewel seat cover. It is the gift of Lillian Baxter Warner in honor of her mother, Lillian Baxter. Mrs. Baxter, who had been a Society member, was most knowledgeable about antiques; she wrote papers on scrimshaw, Tucker china, and on silver and the art of silver making. Designing and creating crewel covers and curtains was another talent.

The Society is grateful for this lovely addition to Greenfield Hall which demonstrates Mrs. Baxter's beautiful handwork.

HADDONFIELD BLOCK PARTY

The Great Haddonfield Block Party will be held on the same day as our general meeting and the exciting program on Presidential Plates. We will be participating in the celebrations in town with an architectural scavenger hunt organized by Kim Dunleavy. Plan to attend the Block Party on your way to Greenfield Hall for our 2:00 meeting. May 16 promises to be a busy, exciting day.

DOCENT NEWS

Our docent program is on its way!



Coordinator, Carolyn Woolley, has announced that the first three sessions of orientation have been completed. The series was inaugurated in March with a program on the historical background of Haddonfield given by Kathy Tassini.

The following week featured a demonstration tour of Greenfield Hall led by Pat Lennon and a talk by Debby Troemner on the role of the docent. The third program, a slide presentation by Don Stevenson, emphasized the architectural aspects of our town.

These sessions have been videotaped by Ed Reeves so that we may use the tapes to train future docents. They will become a permanent record in our library.

Future programs will include a tour by Harriet Monshaw on May 12 and two sessions on the Indian King with Bill Mason later in the month. Programs involving our schools are being planned for the fall.

The Block Party on May 16 will mark the beginning of the docent program when our four Junior Docents will announce the regular hours at Greenfield Hall for guided tours. Look for these young people in town and in front of the Indian King Tavern as you come to the general meeting at Greenfield Hall that Sunday afternoon.

We now have more than forty docents ready to staff Greenfield Hall. Won't you consider adding your name to the ranks? Meeting new people while helping your Society can be rewarding for both you and our organization.

NEW GIFT ITEMS

You'll be pleased to see that two new items have been added to our line of gifts and commemoratives. We are now handling the wooden figures of both Greenfield Hall and the Indian King Tavern which are produced by the *Cat's Meow*. They'll be sold at all of our functions and during office hours at Greenfield Hall.

Consider our gift items for your use during the summer - something for your hostess, a little remembrance for a friend, something to perk up your own house. From tea towels to tiles, from books to bottles, you'll find a suitable gift which will truly be from Haddonfield.

Members are given a 10% discount on all purchases.



Ruth, widow of John Evans, married the widower Samuel Clement in 1748. She died in 1771. Ruth Clement was truly a colonial woman.

The role of women in our society has been the subject of much discussion over the years. That role has been constantly changing. A speech given by Dr. John R. Stevenson back in 1910 illustrates the situation.

Dr. Stevenson was a medical doctor who moved to Haddonfield in 1867 at the age of 33. A noted genealogist and local historian who shared the results of his researches, he spoke to the Gloucester County Historical Society on "The Women of New Jersey". The West Jersey Press printed his speech on April 30, 1910.

Mary Jane Freedley has compiled the following from excerpts of that address:

"The women of the Colony of West Jersey were of several nationalities. The Dutch...were noted for their industry and their skill in household affairs. About 1638 the Swedes began settlement on the Delaware shore of New Jersey...these settlers were of peasant class, only half civilized. [They] lived in log houses of only one room. The women wore jackets and petticoats of fur, and they had neither tea, coffee nor sugar...The other colonists of New Jersey were English. About one-half of them came direct from England to the colony; the others were from New England and New York. The emigrants from England were mostly Quakers; those from the adjacent colonies were largely of other beliefs...families of land owning proprietors were of middle class, whose heads had been small land owners; professional men, merchants, and mechanics."

Female servants were of three classes: Negro slaves, Indians and indentured servants. Slavery was not abolished in New Jersey until 1820. Early wills bequeathed Negro slaves to friends and relatives. In 1771 Isaac Horner of Waterford Township sold to Edward Gibbs of Newton "a Certain Negro girl named Tenor, aged Twelve years". "Indian slaves were inventoried as personal property. In that of Jeremiah Basse, of Burlington, whose estate was appraised in 1725, an Indian woman was valued at £30." In 1682 colony law allowed the servitude of an adult white person for a term of four years. "The women thus bound were voluntary slaves, who wishing to emigrate and too poor to pay for a passage across the ocean stipulated with a captain of a vessel that he might sell them to reimburse himself. Sometimes women persecuted and thrown in jail because of their religion and their property confiscated, were given the choice to emigrate or remain in prison. These servants were known as *Redemptioners*." The 1718 inventory of the estate of Sarah Mickle, mother of Samuel Mickle, valued a maid servant at £9.

"Women's dresses for every day use...were largely of homemade material. The women spun the flax and the wool. They knitted their stockings and the mittens. After being woven by the weavers who were scattered through the colony the women cut out and made up the work day clothes."

"Girls and boys of the colony went to school together... Quakers were prompt in establishing schools. These taught a common education. Those who desired a higher culture for their daughters sent them to New York or Philadelphia...One method of educating girls is worthy of notice. They had to do embroidery, which helped also to teach them spelling and before they left school a specimen must be made called 'sampler', which was the forerunner of the modern certificate or diploma of graduation."

"Daughters were rarely bequeathed any real estate if there were any sons." One reason for this was "under the then laws a wife's property was liable for her husband's debts...Daughters were left personal property - money, household goods or slaves. A feather bed was considered a valuable bequest; sometimes a cow was given."

"In the colony of New Jersey women had but one career and that was marriage. In public records females were classified as married, widows or spinsters. This latter term was given to these above the legal age of twenty-one who were yet single. There were but few who bore this title."

In 1719 a law was enacted "that no license shall be given for anyone under the age of twenty-one years to marry without the consent of their parents or guardians, and must give the governor a bond for £500...Sometimes, if the bride was a widow she appeared for the marriage ceremony arrayed in only one garment, and that was the under one. The reason for it was this: a widow was liable for the debts of her deceased husband and to the extent of her personal property, even to her clothing. If upon remarrying she left all her personals behind her the law was satisfied and creditors could not levy on anything given her by the last husband."

For social amusements the Colonial women had haying and harvesting parties. The farmers banded together and took turns harvesting the crops "while the women prepared a feast, after which came festive games, music and dancing kept up until the morning hours. There were berrying parties and picnics in the woods...In the autumn and winter they had their husking bees and hog-killings, at which the same routine of feasting and merry-making took place. There were quilting parties, sleighing parties with balls and dances at the village tavern."

"In the earlier days of the colony there were public fairs to attend." In 1681 the first West Jersey Assembly passed a law instituting two fairs to be held in Burlington for the sale of cattle and all kinds of merchandise. During the two days before the fair, the two days when the fair was held and for two days afterward all persons were free from arrest for debt. The fairs were held in May and October. "Finally side shows were introduced, such as bear-baiting, prize fights and gambling, which in the course of time, caused the holding of public fairs to be abandoned."

!!! IMPORTANT NOTICE !!!

Your Executive Board has recently reviewed the By-Laws of the Society in an effort to bring them up-to-date, and to reflect the initiatives undertaken to improve the contribution of the Society to the community and the membership at-large. Areas of proposed revision are in *bold italics* in the following complete text of the By-Laws. The changes specify the office structure of the organization, establish Standing Committees, and adjust the nominating schedule to provide for elections at the Society's Annual Dinner in March. These revisions will be voted upon at the May 16th meeting. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting to vote on these recommended changes.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD, NEW JERSEY

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME AND PURPOSE

The name by which this corporation is to be known in law is HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD, NEW JERSEY. The purpose for which it is formed is the study of the history of the Borough of Haddonfield, in the County of Camden and the State of New Jersey; the study of organizations, societies, families, individuals and events; the collection and preservation of articles of historic value; the establishment and maintenance of a historical library; and the publication, from time to time, of such historical information as may be deemed expedient.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Society shall consist of such categories as may be appropriate. Any person upon payment of the prescribed dues shall become a member of the Society. Such dues shall be adjusted from time to time as necessity requires.

ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION

The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. There shall be twelve trustees.

SECTION 1 - OFFICERS

a. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and shall have general supervision and direction of all Society affairs under the powers given him/her by the Executive Board. The President shall appoint chairmen of the standing committees. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.

b. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the President's absence, and shall be the Program Chairman.

c. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all member and executive meetings and such special meetings as may be called. The Secretary shall also be responsible for all correspondence of the Society, and general notices of meetings.

d. The Treasurer shall ensure that all monies due the Society are collected and all bills properly paid. The Treasurer shall present the status of funds at regular meetings, and serve as chairman of the Finance

Committee.

SECTION 2 - TRUSTEES

The Trustees shall administer the affairs, funds and property of the Society. A trustee is responsible for attendance at Executive Board meetings, and the programs and activities of the Society. Trustees will accept assignments as called upon to support the Committee Chairmen.

SECTION 3 - EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board shall consist of the Officers, Trustees, the immediate Past President, and chairmen of all standing committees.

SECTION 4 - TERM OF OFFICE

The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for 2-year terms. There shall be a two consecutive term limit for these offices. The President and Vice-President shall be elected in even years, and the Secretary and Treasurer in odd years. Four Trustees shall be elected annually for a term of three years. All other committee chairmen shall be appointed annually by the President.

SECTION 5 - VACANCIES

In the case of a vacancy in any office, except that of President, the President shall appoint a member to serve until the office may be filled at the next regular election.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

SECTION 1 - THE SOCIETY

The meetings of the Society shall be held in September, November, March and May. The March meeting will be the Annual Dinner, at which time officers shall be elected. Installation of the new officers will be at the May meeting. Special meetings may be called by the President, or Vice-President acting in his stead, or by a written request of any three members of the Executive Board. The quorum for the meetings shall be twenty members.

SECTION 2 - THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The meetings of the Executive Board shall be at the call of the President as required to conduct the business of the Society. There shall be no less than four such meetings in a Fiscal Year. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President may call for a meeting. The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Board shall be nine.

ARTICLE V - VOTING

Each member shall be entitled to one vote. The election for Officers and Trustees shall be by voice vote, unless, upon a motion duly made and passed by two-thirds vote of the members present, it is directed that the balloting be by written ballot. Ordinary business submitted to the membership for decision shall be decided by the majority of those present. Except for amendments to the By-Laws, and the Dissolution of the Society, decisions of the Executive Board shall be by majority of those present.

ARTICLE VI - STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be ten Standing Committees. Special committees as may be needed from time to time may also be established. The President of the Society shall appoint members to serve as Chairpersons: The Standing Committees are:

a. BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

The Committee shall oversee the maintenance and improvements to the Society's buildings and property, and when necessary procure estimates for contracts to be submitted for Executive Board approval.

b. COLLECTIONS

The committee shall oversee the conservation and preservation of the Society's collections. The chairman shall be the curator of the Society. Subcommittees to report to the chairman shall include the Acquisitions and Furnishing Committees.

c. EDUCATION

The Committee shall oversee the Society's educational programming including Docent training and scheduling, outreach to schools and appropriate groups for tours and development of education programs. The Committee shall oversee an Exhibitions Committee, which will arrange for exhibits of Society collections or special loans.

d. FINANCE

The Committee shall be chaired by the Treasurer. It shall prepare the annual budget for approval of the Executive Board. It shall be responsible for the supervision and investment of the Society's financial assets.

e. FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES

The Committee shall plan the Society's fund raising events and secure the Chairmen for each for each individual major event.

f. LIBRARY

The Committee shall be responsible for the operation of the Society's library, the acquisition of historical data, the promotion of historical research, and publications of the Society.

g. LONG RANGE PLANNING

The Committee shall continue to examine the Society's long range goals and to suggest programming and financial strategies to achieve those objectives.

h. MEMBERSHIP

The Committee shall maintain the official membership records, collect dues and transmit the funds to the Treasurer. It shall actively pursue programs to attract new members.

i. PUBLICITY

The Committee shall oversee the publication of the Society's bulletin. It shall publicize the programs and events of the Society.

j. RENTALS

The Committee shall arrange and oversee the usage of the Society's buildings and/or grounds by outside organizations and/or individuals.

ARTICLE VII - NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members of the Society, and shall be appointed by the President annually in November. Said committee shall submit to the Executive Board its report in January. This list must be submitted to the membership prior to the elections at the March Annual Meeting. Additional seconded nominations from the floor shall receive the same consideration in the balloting as those submitted by the Nominating Committee.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

The By-Laws of the Society may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting of the Society convened at least two weeks after such amendment was first proposed in writing to the Society members. *In January of every year that is a multiple of five, the President shall appoint a committee to review the By-Laws.*

ARTICLE IX - DISSOLUTION

In the event that the dissolution of the Society becomes necessary, the assets of the Society, after all debts are paid, shall be distributed to one or more non-profit organizations of historical purpose in accordance with the then applicable statutes of the State of New Jersey and The United States of America.

ARTICLE X - OPERATION

The day to day operation of the Society shall be conducted under Standard Operating Procedures as determined by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" shall govern the Society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

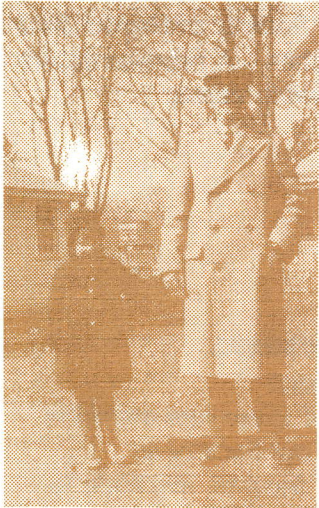
ARTICLE XII - INDEMNIFICATION

The Historical Society of Haddonfield shall indemnify any corporate agent of the Society, including but not limited to Officers, Trustees, employees or agents, against the corporate agent's expenses and liabilities in connection with any proceeding involving the corporate agent because the agent is or was a corporate agent, other than any proceeding brought by or in the name of the Historical Society of Haddonfield if:

1. The corporate agent acted in good faith and in a manner which the agent reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of The Historical Society of Haddonfield; and
2. With respect to any criminal proceeding, the corporate agent had no reasonable cause to believe the alleged conduct was unlawful.

There is no doubt in my mind that every child should have the chance to know his grandparents, but sadly many children do not have that chance.

My grandparents, James Lane and Grace Fisher Pennypacker, were very special people. Yet, of their ten grandchildren, only two of us were lucky enough to know them together, to have memories of that wonderful relationship between child and grandparent.



All of the incidents which I will recall happened in the 1920's or the very early 1930's, for I was only 13 when Grandpa died. Nevertheless, he and my grandmother surely left their mark on my sister and me.

When my sister and I were very young, we walked down King's Highway on a Sunday afternoon and had supper with Grandma and Grandpa.

Both of them had a way of making the most usual very special. It was fun to have supper with them, to listen to Grandpa who was a wonderful story-teller.

After supper we always had a parade. Grandpa would get his fife, one of us would grab the big brass dinner bell (which I still treasure), Grandma, her sister, and the other one of us got in line, and away we would go through the big house. From the first floor to the third we played or banged and sang at the top of our lungs.

That was fine and lots of fun until one night when I, the last in line, got caught behind a closed door on the top floor. It was dark and scary for there were no lights up there. When the other paraders discovered I was missing, they came back for me. No one made a big fuss about it and my fears quickly disappeared.

Then it was time for the walk back up King's Highway to our house. Since Grandpa was a great believer in making everything a learning situation as well as a fun experience, those night walks became our first lessons in astronomy. How well I remember the frosty air, the bright, starry skies. Venus became a special friend. It was so bright that we could always find the Evening Star in winter.

On beautiful sunny mornings in the summer, Grandpa just couldn't stay inside. On one such morning he announced that he was going for a walk. His two oldest granddaughters, who just happened to be there, said, "Oh, Grandpa. Let us go with you!" As always, his affirmative answer was, "Let's go!"

So we started off, two little girls of maybe eight and ten along with Grandpa carrying his proverbial walking cane. Down Mann's Hill we went to Munn Lane. The latter

was a dirt road then, crossed what we know today as Brace Road, and continued to an old farmhouse which belonged to a Mr. Munn. It is important to remember that there were no houses in that area as there are today. It was only the lane and the farmhouse.

By the time we arrived at the farm, we were all very thirsty and ready for a rest. But nobody was home.

As children, we had been taught that if our knock was not answered, we should just go away. So my sister and I were a bit apprehensive when Grandpa said, "We'll all take a drink from the well. When I hang up the cup again, I'll hang it differently from the way Mr. Munn does. Then he'll know someone was here." I guess that was old-fashioned communication because there was no telephone at the farm.

There are few people who lived in Haddonfield sixty years ago who don't remember the wonderful Halloweens at the James Pennypacker house. There was none of the 'knock on the door, get a treat, and be off' that we see today. People came into the big dining room, whether or not Grandma and Grandpa knew them, gathered around, ate homemade gingerbread and drank cider. Everyone came, sometimes as many as 175 strong. Let me hasten to say that Grandma really did bake every bit of that gingerbread. None of the boxed kind, for there wasn't such a thing. It was truly a festive time.

During the summer when my sister and I were nine and eleven, we had a "date" with our grandfather on Saturday mornings. He was reading *The Odyssey of Homer* aloud to us, at the same time making us familiar with some Greek history.

Grandpa was an exciting story-teller, expressive and animated, and he really made that classic come alive. It certainly wasn't dull and boring. Instead, we found it to be fun and interesting as well as unusual.

Part of a science project in seventh grade required making a "Booklet of Leaves." I was supposed to gather leaves and identify them. Grandpa, a nature-lover and well-respected botanist, said, "That will be fun. Everyone will have oak and maple and fruit tree leaves, so we'll walk out to Charleston Woods and see what we can find."

The reader will probably wonder how in the world a seventh grader and her grandfather could walk out Kresson Road to the area that today is known as Charleston Riding, minus the houses, of course. But what the reader must not forget is that there was no New Jersey Turnpike, no Route 295, and Charleston Woods was somewhat closer to Haddonfield.

I remember that day as one of good leaf hunting, and I'm afraid later I was pretty proud of having some leaves that no other student had.

I didn't know it then, but that was to be my last excursion with Grandpa. He lived only four more months, but left some special and happy memories.

Yes, the memories are many, the memories are happy, and let me be the first to say, the memories go back a long, long way. Sometimes I wonder how my sister and I could have been so lucky.

Mary Pennypacker Scudder was born in Haddonfield and has lived here all her life. She taught in day care centers both in Philadelphia and at Moorestown Friends School. Following in the footsteps of her beloved grandparents, Mary is a volunteer in many local groups.

James Lane Pennypacker (1855-1934) moved to Haddonfield with his wife, the former Grace Fisher Coolidge, in 1885. An officer of a Philadelphia publishing firm, Mr. Pennypacker was active in many organizations. He, along with Samuel Nicholson Rhoads and Julia Bedford Gill, founded the Historical Society of Haddonfield in 1914 and later served as its president for five years.

One of Mr. Pennypacker's favorite organizations was the Delaware Valley Naturalists' Union over which he presided for 25 years. He also served as chairman for the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Settlement of Haddonfield in 1914.

A book, *Verse and Prose of James Lane Pennypacker*, was published by the Historical Society of Haddonfield in 1936. His love of both nature and Haddonfield is embodied in his poetry and sketches. A representative poem, "Hopkins Pond", which describes the tranquility of the area, opens with the following verse:

*The sunlight streams through the tulips and oak and beech
That shelter the pond,
And spatters with gold the quiet water-reaches,
And woodland and meadow beyond.*

COSTUME NEWS

Mickey Mack and the Costume Preservation Committee are continuing the cataloging and photographing of our costumes. Be a part of this energetic group; call Mickey at 795-6823 to make arrangements to join them on their next work (fun) day.

While you're doing your "spring cleaning", consider donating clothing with the Lillian Albus label for our collection. Since this old Haddonfield landmark has closed its doors, it becomes increasingly important to preserve some of the beautiful clothing in which the store specialized. Of course, we're also happy to accept turn-of-the-century items or other costumes of historical significance. Call the Society at 429-7375 or deliver your items to Greenfield Hall on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday morning.

OUR NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new members!

And congratulations! Some of these new members have already become active in our Society as members of committees and as docents. We hope to get to know all of you when you attend our many functions at Greenfield Hall.

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| Minerva E Sarfert | Milton E. Botwinick |
| Nancy Lynn | Miriam Korfhage |
| Kenneth C. King | Kerry B. Fitzpatrick |
| Fran Miller | John J. Roseman |
| Diane Kline | Jana E. Richards |
| Joyce Krasner | Timothy E. Taylor |

Nancy E. Wills

Arlene and Michael Stolarick

The Jorgensen Family

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

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| Louise Z. Farr | Andrew C. Palashewsky |
| Melinda McGough | |

DATES TO REMEMBER

At Greenfield Hall

May 7 - House and Garden Tour

16 - General Meeting and program:

**Collecting Presidential
China**

22-23 - Concerts by the Haddonfield
School of Creative and
Performing Arts

June 5 - **Aladdin's Treasures,**
Annual Fair and Auction

Other dates of interest:

May 8 - Open House in Fenwick's Colony,
10-5, Salem County Historical
Society

Month of May - Lives of New Jersey Women,
Camden County Historical
Society (call for hours,
964-3333)

June-Aug. 22 - New Jersey Quilts, 1777-
1950, The Noyes Museum,
Oceanville, NJ

FROM THE LIBRARY

Difficult weather and a problem with the shelving for the back room of our new facility have slowed the library's move to the Samuel Mickle House. Much of the shelving has been installed upstairs and a portion of the collection has been moved there.

We have changed vendors for the downstairs shelving and should receive our order within the next three to five weeks. As soon as it is installed, our moving day WILL be scheduled and our volunteers WILL be called to help.

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

With the summer approaching and different schedules being worked out for my family, I find that I need to change my hours. Beginning on May 17 and going through to July 27 when we close for the month of August, the library will be open on MONDAY and TUESDAY from 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. and the first SUNDAY of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M.

Kathy Tassini, Librarian

Books, like proverbs, receive their chief value from the stamp and esteem of ages through which they have passed. — Sir William Temple 1628-1699

HISTORY AWARD

This year will mark the inception of the **Historical Society of Haddonfield History Award**. The award, a \$100 bond and a copy of *Lost Haddonfield*, will be given to the Haddonfield Memorial High School graduating senior who has demonstrated an exceptional interest in and love for history.

Selection of the winner will be made with the cooperation of Henry Silver, Social Studies Coordinator at the high school.

HOUSE AND GARDEN TOUR

Greenfield Hall will be one of the lovely homes featured on the House and Garden Tour sponsored by the Haddon Fortnightly on Friday, May 7, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M, and in the evening from 6 to 9. Tickets may be purchased at the Fortnightly or at any of the homes on the tour. The \$6 ticket will allow you to visit all houses.

Besides Greenfield Hall, the homes of the following residents are included: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Friend, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Heston, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Traver, Mrs. Ken Weaber, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Watson. A luncheon will be offered at the Fortnightly; punch will be served throughout the day in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Blair Murphy.

PERFORMANCE AT GREENFIELD HALL

Greenfield Hall will offer the perfect setting for a series of short concerts by the faculty of the Haddonfield School of Creative and Performing Arts to be held on May 22 and 23. You'll want to enjoy an elegant spring evening on Saturday, May 22, from 8 to 10:30, or a lovely Sunday afternoon, May 23, from 3 to 5. Hors d'oeuvres and champagne will be served on both occasions.

Proceeds from these events will be added to the fund for our top priority, a new roof for Greenfield Hall, as well as benefit the scholarship fund of the School of Creative and Performing Arts. Debbie Mervine is coordinating the events for the Society.

Tickets for each event are \$40 per person, \$75 per Patron. Patrons will be listed in the program. Please complete the following form and mail it with your check to the Historical Society of Haddonfield, 343 King's Highway East, Haddonfield, NJ, 08033. For more information, call our office, 429-7375.

I am interested in the May 22 ☐ performance.

I am interested in the May 23 ☐ performance.

Please send me _____ tickets at \$40 each \$_____.

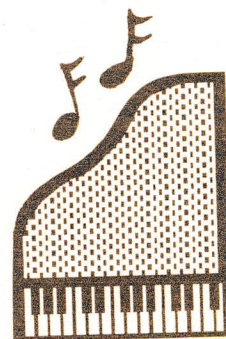
I/We want to be Patrons at \$75 each _____.

Names of Patrons as they are to be listed in program:

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____



We acknowledge with great appreciation the following gifts from our friends:

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| Blair Murphy & Kwik Kopy | Printing of the raffle tickets |
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